

Torrance, California
August 10, 1937

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a regular meeting in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Torrance, California, on Tuesday, August 10, 1937 at 7:45 P.M.

Councilman Deininger moved that Councilman Hitchcock serve as chairman in the absence of Mayor Tolson. Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mayor pro tem Hitchcock called the meeting to order.

Clerk Bartlett called the roll, those answering present being Councilmen: Deininger, Hitchcock, McGuire and Powell. Absent: Councilman Tolson.

Councilman McGuire moved that the minutes of a regular meeting held July 27, 1937 and of an adjourned regular meeting held August 3, 1937 be approved as written. Councilman Deininger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication from E. E. McMaster, 2217 Sierra Street, requesting the City Council to approve the removal of a tree. Councilman Deininger moved that the matter be referred to the Council as a whole. Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Communication from Torrance Chamber of Commerce referring to monthly rental of the Chamber's present quarters up to September 22, 1937.

Councilman Deininger moved that the communication from the Chamber of Commerce be filed. Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Communication from Torrance Chamber of Commerce addressed to Chief of Police, City Judge, Councilmen, W. H. Stanger, City Attorney, City Clerk, etc., announcing a dinner meeting to be held on Thursday, August 12, 1937 at 6:30 P.M. in Centinela Park. It was suggested that reservations be made by Thursday, August 12, noon. It was decided that anyone desiring reservations should contact Mr. L. J. Gilmeister.

Communication from Faye Canfield, City Clerk of Santa Barbara, extending an invitation to the opening of the Fiesta and urging that reservations be made in advance. It was decided that those desiring reservations should notify the City Clerk within the next few days.

Communication from League of California Municipalities announcing the 39th annual convention of the State League, and urging that reservations be made in advance. It was decided to let this matter go until a later date.

Communication from Southern California Gas Company, reporting on pipe line laid in the City of Torrance during the period from January 1, 1937 to June 30, 1937 under Los Angeles Franchise #463. No action or comment required on this communication.

Communication from Super Concrete Emulsions, Ltd. This communication was a copy of a letter addressed to Walker & Eisen. Super Concrete Emulsions, Ltd. stated that, after examining the civic buildings in Torrance, they had decided that the movement had ceased and that the cracks in the buildings could be satisfactorily filled with a preparation endorsed by them.

Mr. Young suggested that a few cracks be filled for observation.

Councilman Deininger moved that the City Clerk be authorized to have Super Concrete Emulsions, Ltd. fill a few cracks so that they could be observed for several months. Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Deininger, Hitchcock, McGuire and Powell. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Tolson.

Communication from Los Angeles County Flood Control District addressed to Mr. F. R. Leonard, concerning Nigger Slough problem. Councilman Deininger moved that a copy of the letter be sent to Mr. Nestor. Councilman Powell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Communication from State of California Department of Public Works re gas tax allocation.

(Action on this communication was delayed until after bids were opened.)

Bids covering the furnishing and installation of certain waterworks improvements for Act of 1927 Municipal Improvement District No. 1 of the City of Torrance were opened at 8 P. M.

The bids were opened and read in the following order:

Long Beach Iron Works

<u>PUMP BID</u>	- Byron-Jackson -----	\$3,150.00
	Fairbanks-Morse -----	2,975.00

ELECTRICAL MATERIALS, SUPPLIES
AND EQUIPMENT

1,015.02

Electric Wholesale MartELECTRICAL MATERIALS, SUPPLIES
AND EQUIPMENT

1,006.30

Graybar ElectricELECTRICAL MATERIALS, SUPPLIES
AND EQUIPMENT

1,027.92

Myers ElectricELECTRICAL MATERIALS, SUPPLIES
AND EQUIPMENT

1,026.36

Without rack: 915.61

Councilman Deininger moved that the bids be referred to the City Engineer, the Attorney and the Water Superintendent for further checking, to be reported on at the meeting to be held on Thursday, August 12.

Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The communication from the State of California Department of Public Works re gas tax apportionment was taken up where it was left off. No action or comment was required on this communication.

Attorney Rippy stated that he had a resolution authorizing execution of the deed with the Pacific Electric Railway. It was decided to take this matter under advisement before any action was taken on it.

Attorney Rippy presented and read in full:

RESOLUTION NO. 1149

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE AUTHORIZING FOURTH PARTIAL PAYMENT OF
\$5,248.62 TO ESER WIKHOLM, LTD. IN CONNECTION
WITH CONSTRUCTION OF ADMINISTRATION BUILDING,
P. W. A. DOCKET 1487-D

Councilman Deininger moved that Resolution No. 1149 be adopted. Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Deininger, Hitchcock, McGuire and Powell. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Tolson.

Attorney Rippy presented and read in full:

RESOLUTION NO. 1150

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 APPROPRIATING
FUNDS TO COVER COST THEREOF AND REQUESTING THE
FEDERAL EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC WORKS
TO APPROVE SAME IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION
OF THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, P.W.A. DOCKET 1487-D

Councilman McGuire moved that Resolution No. 1150 be adopted. Councilman Powell seconded the motion, which was carried by the

following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire and Powell. NOES: COUNCILMAN: Deininger. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Tolson.

Attorney Rippy presented for first reading:

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 296

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE FIXING
THE TAX RATES AND LEVYING TAXES FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1937

Councilman Deininger moved that further reading of Emergency Ordinance No. 296 be dispensed with. Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Deininger moved that Emergency Ordinance No. 296 be adopted. Councilman Powell seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Deininger, Hitchcock, McGuire and Powell. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Tolson.

Attorney Rippy presented for first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 297

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 235

Councilman Powell moved that further reading of Ordinance No. 297 be dispensed with. Councilman Deininger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Powell moved that Ordinance No. 297 be adopted. Councilman Deininger seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Deininger, Hitchcock, McGuire and Powell. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Tolson.

Attorney Rippy presented for first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 298

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
REGULATING CAMP CARS AND/OR TRAILERS
AND CAMPS THEREFOR

Councilman Powell moved that further reading of Ordinance No. 298 be dispensed with. Councilman Deininger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Powell moved that Ordinance No. 298 be adopted for first reading. Councilman Deininger seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Deininger, Hitchcock, McGuire and Powell. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Tolson.

Councilman Powell brought up the subject of the poor lighting facilities at the Municipal Park around the rest rooms. It was decided to refer this matter to the City Electrician.

Councilman Deininger moved that an additional \$50.00 be allotted to the Chamber of Commerce for advertising purposes. Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Deininger, Hitchcock, McGuire and Powell. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Tolson.

Councilman McGuire moved that the City Electrician be authorized to proceed with the installation of eighteen lights on Torrance Boulevard.

Councilman Powell seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Deininger, Hitchcock, McGuire and Powell. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Tolson.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that \$35000.00 be transferred from M.I.D. #1 to City General Fund, with interest payable to M.I.D. #1 at the rate of 3% per annum.

Councilman Powell seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Deininger, Hitchcock, McGuire and Powell. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Tolson.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Gascoigne, Street Superintendent, asked that an appropriation be made for a tank of oil to be used in oiling Plaza del Amo Street.

Councilman Deininger moved that the Street Department be authorized to purchase oil not to exceed \$60.00.

Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Deininger, Hitchcock, McGuire and Powell. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Tolson.

Councilman Deininger moved that all bills properly audited be paid.

Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Deininger, Hitchcock, McGuire and Powell. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Tolson.

At 9:00 P.M., upon motion of Councilman Deininger, seconded by Councilman McGuire, the meeting adjourned to Thursday, August 12, at 4:45 P.M.

A. H. Barrett
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

W. R. Tolson
Mayor of the City of Torrance.